



City of Rochester Hills  
AGENDA SUMMARY  
FINANCIAL ITEMS

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Legislative File No: 2019-0052

**TO:** Mayor and City Council Members  
**FROM:** Ken Elwert, CPRE, Director Parks and Natural Resources  
**DATE:** February 11, 2019  
**SUBJECT:** Preliminary Engineering Services – Innovation Hills Playground Area

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**REQUEST:**

City Council is requested to authorize a blanket purchase order for preliminary engineering services for the development of the Innovation Hills Playground Area to Spalding DeDecker Associates in the amount not-to-exceed \$198,650.00.

**REASON FOR PURCHASE:**

Spalding DeDecker is one of the City's on-call professional engineering firms and is recommended to be utilized for these services based on their capacity to take this project on at the current time, have a demonstrated strong understanding of the project, and their experience with pathway design work.

The Playground at Innovation Hills will be a unique playground for the community and region. It will focus on natural appearing features, design elements that appeal to all with a special focus for those with autism, and contain natural elements of wood, water, rock and sand for interaction. It will consist of some custom play elements requiring structural engineering, engineering focused on running water features as well as traditional engineering for site plans and pathway development.

The entire playground design team will consist of Nunez Design (previously approved by City Council), an engineering firm, a playground company which will come to Council for review through an RFP process in the spring, as well as public focus group input and substantial staff review.

Construction start is planned for late summer 2019 to fulfill a recently received State grant for this project.

**PROCESS:**

**Vendor Name and Address:**

Spalding DeDecker Associates, Inc.  
905 South Blvd East  
Rochester Hills, MI 48307

**Reason for Selection:**

Quality Based Selection

**Method of Purchase:**

Blanket Purchase Order

**BUDGET:**

Funding is included in the FY 2019 Adopted Budget.

<b>Fund Name</b>	<b>Department Account No</b>	<b>Account No. Description</b>	<b>Budget Amount</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Remaining Budget</b>
Facilities	631.974000	Land Improvement	\$200,000	\$198,650	\$1,350

**RECOMMENDATION:**

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<b>APPROVALS:</b>	<b>SIGNATURE</b>	<b>DATE</b>
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